

Dear Junior Lifeguard Intern Applicant,

This summer season marks the fifth year of the Junior Lifeguard Internship Program. As a Junior Lifeguard, you have gained valuable ocean experience. As an intern you can help youths of various ages in achieving a greater knowledge of the ocean environment. This experience will allow you to sharpen your own skills in ocean safety, and help you gain the skills necessary to become a San Diego ocean lifeguard.

Below is an application for the intern position. Please note the application must be signed by a parent or guardian in order to participate in this year's tryout and interview process. **Applicants must be at least sixteen years of age on or before June 9th, 2006.**

The hiring process will consist of two phases, a swim trial and an interview. Each candidate must complete both phases in order to be considered for an intern position. In order to be eligible for an interview, applicants must first pass a 500 meter open water swim in less than eleven minutes. Tryouts will be held at the Santa Clara Recreation Center on April 25, April 27, May 2, and May 4 at 5 p.m. You must bring a completed and signed application in order to participate in the tryout. Swim caps and goggles will be allowed during the tryout. We strongly suggest regular swim workouts in order to prepare for qualifying swim.

Upon successful completion of the swim trial, you will be scheduled for the interview segment. The interview will consist of situational questions and pertinent employment history and experience. Interviews will be held on the Saturdays following the tryouts, April 29 and May 6. You will be notified of your status by May 15, 2006.

This summer we expect interns to be able to work both sessions of the program. Each intern will be given equal hours weekly. We will do our best to accommodate conflicts in schedules, however we cannot guarantee time off if requested. **Also, please note this year that the orientation and training dates are mandatory.** Orientation will be held on Tuesday, May 23 at 4:30 p.m., at the Santa Clara Recreation Center. Training is scheduled for Saturday, June 17 from 8:00 am to 5:00 p.m., also at SCRC. Due to the number of interested applicants, no exceptions will be allowed.

If you have any questions pertaining to this process, please call our intern coordinator at 619-980-2589. We look forward to meeting with you very soon.

Sincerely,

Sergeant Eric Care, Junior Lifeguard Program Sergeant

Lifeguard II Ryan Dammann, Junior Lifeguard Program Coordinator

San Diego Junior Lifeguard Intern Program Application 2006

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Social Security No.: _____

Name of Parent or Legal Guardian: _____

As Guardian of this applicant, I approve the release of information to San Diego Junior Lifeguard Program Staff for the purpose of establishing my child's candidacy for a San Diego Junior Lifeguard Intern position. I agree to permit my child to be interviewed by San Diego Junior Lifeguard Program Staff at a date and time to be determined. I also permit my child to participate in the 500 meter swim required to complete the interview process.

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____

Please list the Junior Lifeguard program(s) and years, including sessions, attended by this applicant: _____

Interviews will last approximately fifteen minutes. Candidates should be prepared to answer questions about their experience, education, and background related to the position of Junior Lifeguard Intern. Other questions related to how the candidate might handle a difficult or urgent incident as an intern and first responder will also be asked. Candidates are urged to stay relaxed and not to "over think" the interview questions. Interviewers are looking for an honest impression of candidates as mature individuals. For those seeking feedback following the interview process, candidates may request a post-interview critique, Monday through Friday, during the week of June 5th. The San Diego Junior Lifeguard Staff regrets that we have only a limited number of intern positions available and some qualified candidates may not be offered positions.

You must bring this completed application to one of the swim tryouts at the Santa Clara Recreation Center. Tryout dates are April 25, April 27, May 2, and May 4 at 5:00 p.m. Upon successful completion of the swim, you will be scheduled for an interview on either April 29 or May 6. If you have any questions, please contact Heather Rabe, Intern Coordinator, at (619)980-2589.